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In re Application of:

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For: Modifying Double Stranded DNA:

TO ENHANCE SEPARATIONS BY MATCHED ION POLYNUCLEOTIDE

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C.

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Initial Patent Examination Division

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply With Requirements For Patent Application mailed on 03/18/2002, Applicants submit herewith a substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the sequence listing in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.825(d). Applicants state that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing in the application as filed 04/03/2001, and includes no new matter. This statement is submitted in order to comply with the sequence listing requirements as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.

Applicants respectfully contend that the noted omitted item(s), i.e., pages 4 & 49 of the specification, were in fact deposited with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as part of the non-provisional application papers filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) on 04/03/2001.

The following documents are submitted herewith as evidence of Applicants contention: (1) copy of USPTO mailroom date-stamped postcard receipt acknowledging 86 pages of specification/claims as stated thereon; (2) copy of Express Mail Label indicating date of deposit with the United States Postal Service; and (3) a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(e), together with the Petition fee as set forth in 1.17(h).

Additionally, a copy of the Notice to Comply With Requirements for Patent Application (mailed 03/18/2002) is also enclosed.

Applicants are further providing an additional copy of the specification as filed, in the event the omitted pages are not located, and in order to expedite the processing of this application. This additional copy is identical to the one originally filed on April 3, 2001, and is <u>not</u> to be construed as Applicants desire to receive the date of this filing as the filing date of the instant application.

If any additional fees are required in connection with the filing of this Response, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 50-0821.

Respectfully submitted,

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